

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-2 (Cancelled).

Claim 3 (Previously presented): The insulated ceiling of claim 18 wherein the clips each have an upper channel mounted on the lower flange of the purlin and a lower channel in which the panel support member is mounted.

Claim 4 (Previously presented): The insulated ceiling of claim 3 wherein the panel support member is slidably received in the lower channel of the clip.

Claims 5-6 (Cancelled).

Claim 7 (Currently amended): The insulated ceiling of claim ~~[[6]]~~18 wherein the clips each have an upper channel mounted on the lower flange of the purlin and a lower channel in which the panel support member is mounted.

Claims 8-9 (Cancelled).

Claim 10 (Previously presented): The method of claim 19 further comprising attaching a panel support member to each purlin to support the panel between adjacent purlins.

Claim 11 (Previously presented): The method of claim 19 further comprising supporting opposite edges of each panel with a support member attached to the lower flange of the purlins.

Claim 12 (Previously presented): The method of claim 11 further comprising clipping the support member to the lower flange of the purlins.

Claims 13-17 (Cancelled).

Claim 18 (Previously presented): An insulated ceiling for a building, comprising:
a plurality of spaced apart metal purlins having upper and lower flanges;
a metal roof attached to the upper flanges of the purlins;
a panel attached to the bottom flanges of the purlins so as to define a space between the metal
roof and the panel;
insulation in the space;
the panel being mechanically attached to the purlins without the use of penetrating fasteners;
a plurality of clips clipped onto the lower flanges of the purlins; and
a panel support member attached to the clips to support the panel.

Claim 19 (Previously presented): A method of building an insulated ceiling, comprising:
supporting purlins in a spaced apart orientation, each purlin having upper and lower flanges;
attaching a metal roof to the upper flange of the purlins;
attaching a ceiling panel to the lower flange of the purlins without the use of penetrating fasteners
so as to define a space between the roof and the ceiling panel;
adding insulation in the space; and
clipping the ceiling panel to the purlins.

Claim 20 (Previously presented): A method of building an insulated ceiling, comprising:
supporting purlins in a spaced apart orientation, each purlin having upper and lower flanges;
attaching a metal roof to the upper flange of the purlins;
attaching a ceiling panel to the lower flange of the purlins without the use of penetrating fasteners
so as to define a space between the roof and the ceiling panel;
adding insulation in the space; and
supporting opposite edges of the panel with a support member attached to the lower flange of the
purlins.

Claims 21-22 (Cancelled).

Claim 23 (Previously presented): The method of claim 20 wherein the ceiling panel is clipped to the purlins.

Claim 24 (Previously presented): The method of claim 20 further comprising attaching a panel support member to each purlin to support the panel between adjacent purlins.

Claim 25 (Previously presented): The method of claim 20 further comprising clipping the support member to the lower flange of the purlins.

Claims 26-28 (Cancelled).

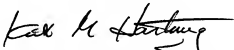
REMARKS

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner has indicated that claims 3, 4, 7, 10-12, 18-20, 23-25 and 28 are allowed. Applicant has cancelled the rejected claims 15-17, 21, 22 and 26-28. Applicant also acknowledges the telephonic clarification from the Examiner that claim 28 stands rejected and is not allowed, as indicated in the Final Office Action. Claim 7 has been amended to correct the dependency only.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that a Notice of Allowance be issued.

No fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this amendment; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 26-0084.

Respectfully submitted,



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